

P.S. Can you tell me who the writer is, quoted by Mr
Thompson as saying in the Charleston S.C. Observer that
at least "one hundred thousand slaves in the state of S.C.
have never heard of the plan of salvation". Can you
furnish me with the whole article by that writer? This
testimony is of the greatest importance, and I want to
be able fully to substantiate its authenticity.

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to his declamation in the Mirror against Abolitionists
and the A. A. P. S. The good cause here requires
that I should avail myself of the present opportu-
nity ~~in its~~ to speak in its defence through the columns
of the Mirror, and I shall do it to the extent of
my means and ability. I deem this a sufficient
apology for the trouble I now give you. By the
way have you seen Pinckney's defence before his
constituents, in which he says that the abolition
excitement at the South is altogether a political af-
fair? If you can lay hands upon it, let us have
it or wondrous extracts from it in the ~~American~~ Emanc-
ipator, for it must be a document of great interest
to us. Is Miss Grimké a Quaker, and if so,
otherwise, should I be likely to get important in-
formation from her, in regard to the religious
condition of the slaves in S. C., and where can
a letter be addressed to her, and do you know
of any other persons, from whom I could get important in-
formation ~~by writing~~ in respect to the same subject by writing
to them?

We have not been altogether inactive in Maine, at least
I have not, and I hope by the end of another year
that we shall be able to make a better report of our
progress than hitherto. Remember as Editor that our
motto is "Love and Love" and when you find your-
self about to say a severe thing against those who oppos-
e, stop and count 100 at least before you let it off; give no
just occasion for any to say, see in what a bad spirit
these Abolitionists conduct the cause. Our friend Gar-
rison does ever unsuccessfully in this respect. With truth
and God on our side we shall prevail; in return
therefore let us perfect our souls. Mrs I writes well
on in regards to Mrs P. Yours truly, Wm Lloyd Garrison

March 22^d 1834, from which you have made a copious
extract in No 19 of the Emancipator. 4th The report
of the Synod of S. Carolina ^{for 1833} on the state of religion, which
you quote at the bottom of the first page of the Em-
ancipator (No 19), in which it is stated that
not one fifth of the ministers within the bounds of that
Synod sustain any pastoral relation,

It is of great importance to me, ^{especially the two last} that I should be able
to read the whole of these documents myself, in or-
der that I may effectually guard against any
perversion of them by Mr Bailey. The extracts which
you made from the report of the Synod in 1834, I ~~had~~
had not in my possession, when I wrote before, and
I wish now to make them tell to their full value,
and they will be decisive as to the point in
controversy. Still, however, it is important for me
to see the whole document.

I have taken the liberty to request their assistance
from you, because I can think of no other way, in
which I can come at these documents. If you
cannot furnish me copies to be kept by me, then
let me have the loan of them, and I will re-
turn them to you again. Will you likewise
keep an eye over what Mr B says, and furnish
me with any other documents, which may be of
use to me, especially any testimony in regard
to the degree of confidence which may be put in
a profession of religion by Slaves. Mr Bailey I
think feels rather down under the influence which
he has already received at my hands, and I
am very desirous now to put a stop if possible

Mr Smyth
Bowd. Coll. Nov 10th
1835

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Brother Phelps,

of looking over the Mirror

If you have been in the habit, as I presume you have, in order to see how things go on in Maine you have doubtless noticed the letters of Rev R. W. Bailey, and my reply to him in part, about six months since. After an interval of six months, Mr B has now commenced a series of letters to me, as you will see on the last page of the two or three last mirrors, in which in a strain of sophistry and palpable perversion of my arguments, he is endeavoring to maintain the correctness of his own allegations, that the Resolution of the A. A. S. S., year before last in reference to the moral condition of the Slave population asserts a palpable falsehood, and to do away with the ~~argument~~ inferences, which I had, as I think clearly established upon Southern testimony. I shall commence a reply, as soon after he gets through, as my ability to procure documents and disuse will permit, and I expect if fair argument will do it, to put some of his positions sky high. But I am in want of documents, and must ask of you the favor to assist me, as I know of no other quarter from which I can obtain them, unless you can send them to me.

In the first place I want the Pamphlet of Mr Clegg of Georgia, proposing a plan for the religious instruction of Slaves, mentioned in the third no. I think of the A. S. Quarterly. 2 The Address of W. B. Seebrook referred to in the same article. 3 The Report of the Synod of S. Carolina and Ga.